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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Lynn Kunzler, Senior Reclamation Biologist *LK*

RE: Site Inspection, Paradise Management, Inc. Koosharem Clay Mine, M/031/002, Piute County, Utah

Date of Inspection: September 24, 2003
Time of Inspection: 12:30 p.m.
Conditions: Clear, warm
Participants: Lynn Kunzler, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To check status of the site while in the area.

Observations:

The operation is considered active during this inspection, although no work was actually being done at the time, nor was there anyone on the site. This is evidenced by there being a dozer, an excavator, a front-end loader and a fuel truck on site. There is noticeable change to the disturbed area since the last inspection. The Pit had been deepened, the highwall areas have been regraded to approximately 2h to 1v slopes, some of the topsoil located along the eastern side of the pit has been relocated, and the disturbance has expanded approximately by 1/4 acre to the east. The increase in disturbance was determined with a GPS.

Several photos were taken to document the site conditions.

Conclusions:

Since the disturbed area has again been expanded without first receiving Division approval. It is recommended that the operator be directed to cease all operations until the permit revision currently under review is approved.

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